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Relay for Life 2011

Paint the campus purple and the fight back against cancer

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LA VIE STAFF WRITER

All last week, you may have noticed several changes to the look of the campus. Large designs etched out in chalk adorned the walkways leading to academic buildings. Purple balloons hung on billboards, walls and railings in Lynch. Large posters emblazoned well-traveled hallways and purple ribbons embraced trees all over campus. These changes say that Lebanon Valley College's Relay for Life 2011 is approaching quickly.

Who did all these things around campus and why? Last week, various Relay for Life teams around campus competed in a scavenger hunt using various items that they had received in the Lynch lobby. Beginning Feb. 14, each team captain received an e-mail from Rebecca Farson '12, who explained that each team had to perform a specific task around campus and take a picture of the result in order to receive the next clue. Thus, members took the supplies appropriate to the task and began using them to "paint the campus purple" and raise awareness of the 2011 Relay for Life event. By the time the scavenger hunt ended on Feb. 18, it appeared as if all students and faculty members would notice at least one reminder of the big event that would be happening on campus in the near future.

The American Cancer Society Relay for Life is an annual event that allows persons all over the world to celebrate those who battle or who have battled cancer, to remember loved ones lost to



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cancer and to dedicate themselves to fighting back against cancer. Though the specifics of Relay for Life tend to vary between communities, three main events reflect the goals that the American Cancer Society wishes to achieve by holding this event. The Survivor's Lap allows the cancer survivors in attendance to walk around the track in Arnold Sports Center in order to celebrate the triumph over cancer and remind the various Relay for Life fundraising teams of the persons whom they are helping through their donations and fundraising. The Luminaria Ceremony is held at night—during this event, each participant walks one lap after lighting a candle on which is written the name of a person lost to cancer. Finally, the

participants make commitments to save lives by combating cancer during the Fight Back Ceremony.

Relay for Life 2011 will be held from 3 p.m. March 18 to 5 a.m. March 19 in Arnold Sports Center. Although the event is now less than a month away, you can still do much to help raise money for the American Cancer Society. You can go to the Relay for Life 2011 main page at www.relayforlife.org/palvc and make a donation to any one of the 54 on-campus teams and 260 students participating in Relay for Life. Even a small donation means a lot to those you help, and the 260 participants have already raised an impressive \$6,924.81. If you would like to do fundraising as well, you can join one of the existing teams, such as Will.I.Am

or the Stansonites, or form a team of your own. After making a \$10 donation to the event, you can then use your Participant Center to promote your cause on Facebook and send e-mails that ask for a donation to family members, close friends or coworkers. Finally, you can show your support for the cause by attending the event.

There's still a month left until Relay for Life 2011 begins. During this time, do all that you can to help raise awareness of the event, get donations towards cancer research and prevention and put forward your time, efforts and money to help those in need.

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NEWS

Student Government Update: 2.21.11

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On Feb. 21, Student Government members gathered for its fifth meeting of the semester in order to discuss food service issues, parking in the Mary Green and Stanson lots on the weekend, the possible need for transportation to the Men's Basketball championship game at Alvernia, resident parking on Summit Street, Internet connections in Derrickson Hall, cigarette trays, visitor parking, the Green Initiative Task Force, changes in the College Curriculum Committee personnel and the distribution of the Readership Program papers.

Vice President Mary Kent has talked to Greg Krikorian and Bill Allman about the food service chef who made inappropriate comments towards other food service employees. The food service chef has been warned about the consequences of his actions, and Krikorian and Allman will make sure that this problem will not arise again.

Upper-class students may park in the lot behind Mary Green on the weekends; however, they are not allowed to park in the lot behind Stanson on weekends. Derrickson A and B halls now have Internet connections through fiberoptic cables. Fiberoptic cables

may soon be installed in other residential halls.

If the Men's Basketball Team must travel to Alvernia University for the championship game, SG has decided to allot funds for buses to Alvernia if the need arises. If the championship game is held at Alvernia, students may sign up for the event on Redbook.

On Monday, several commuters found that resident students had parked their cars on Summit Street, leaving some commuters without their usual spaces. Some cars owned by residents had not been ticketed for parking on Summit Street instead of their designated parking areas.

On the topic of cigarette trays being tipped over, Facilities is considering bolting the cigarette trays down to the trash cans outside dorm buildings.

Student Government members brought up the issue that the signs that tell what food is being served on a specific day have occasionally not matched the food that is served on that day. Members also raised the issue that C-Store employees often put too little meat on subs, while employees in the dining hall and the Underground often put too much meat on sandwiches. A solution to this problem is still in question. An SG member also explained that one day last week she

opened the small fridge in East Dining Hall to pour some orange juice only to discover that the orange juice had expired a few weeks before. The student suggested that the fridge be cleared out and refilled more frequently. Members also raised the issue that the hot chocolate and cappuccino makers in the dining hall have not been active recently.

Regarding Public Safety, visitors are allowed to park on Summit Street and in campus lots from 6 p.m. to 6 a.m. on weekdays only if they are issued parking passes by Public Safety. Public Safety officials also reserve the right to deny parking passes to certain persons under their discretion.

The Green Initiative Task Force is planning to hold a recycling program for old computer parts during ValleyFest Weekend and is also considering replacing printed signs around campus with digital signs in order to reduce campus paper use.

A change in personnel for the College Curriculum Committee has taken place. Katie Wagner will now take the position of Sierra Kalnoski. Wagner is accompanied by Wilkess Payero. Members also brought up the issue of an uneven distribution of papers for the Readership Program, but a solution for

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CAMPUS

CRIMEWATCH

All information courtesy of the LVC Department of Public Safety

2-14-11 | Campus

Emergency Assistance

A call was received about two injured male students.

2-16-11 | Campus

Incident Services

A student passed out in class.

2-17-11 | Campus

Disturbance

A boyfriend refused to leave.

2-17-11 | Campus

Theft

A theft of road signs was reported.

2-17-11 | Campus

Emergency Assistance

A student was having seizures.

2-17-11 | Campus

Incident Services

An iPhone was lost and later recovered.

2-18-11 | Campus

Incident Services

A guest of a student brought a .22 caliber rifle to campus. It was found unloaded on the rear seat of a vehicle.

2-20-11 | Campus

Incident Services

Two calls were received about a male student sick in a restroom.

Please report any suspicious activity to Public Safety at x6111.

**DID YOU PICK UP
AN APPLICATION
TO BECOME VALLEY
AMBASSADOR?**

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due Tuesday, March 1.**

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**Corrections
& Clarifications**

In the "Student Government Update" of our Feb. 16 issue, we reported that the St. Patrick's Day fundraising t-shirt would have a rainbow on the back. This is incorrect; the t-shirt will have a four-leaf clover on the back. We apologize for any confusion.

It is our continuing goal to provide readers with complete and accurate information. To that end, we welcome and encourage notification of any mistakes. Readers who wish to submit corrections should send an email to lavie@lvc.edu, subject line: *Corrections*.

NEWS

Give the gift of reading

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Members of the Lebanon Valley Chapter of Student Pennsylvania State Education Association (SPSEA) have begun their annual collection of children's books in an effort to provide the gift of reading to children in the local area. SPSEA, composed of current LVC education students, is committed to improvement as educators and provides community service to the college, as well as children in the local community.

Just last year, SPSEA collected and donated over 800 books to the Annville-Cleona School District. SPSEA vice president, Jessica Ferlanda '11, says, "I couldn't have been happier with how the LVC family responded to our request for

books last year, and I'm optimistic that they will respond well again this year."

Book boxes for the donation are placed around campus. You can find them located in Lynch, Mund College Center, Chapel, Arnold Sports Center, Bishop Library and Neidig-Garber Science Center. Boxes will also be placed around the community in an effort to collect a vast amount of books to donate. Ferlanda adds, "Every book that you donate may end up being a child's first book to call their own."

SPSEA will be collecting books from now until Tuesday, March 17. Books for donation should be suitable for grades K-12 and in good condition.

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Magician Mike Super to perform at LVC

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On Friday, Feb. 25, magician Mike Super, winner of NBC's hit TV series *Phenomenon*, will perform a free magic and illusion show in Lutz Hall in the Blair Music Center at 9:00 p.m. Admission is open to the public.

A magician since the age of six, Super has reached success from his unique style, personality and new form of magic, undoubtedly breaking the stereotype of 'magician.' Super will perform acts such as levitating an audience member and controlling the elements by making it snow from his bare hands. The audience should be prepared for laughter, shock and awe as Super performs seemingly unexplainable acts of magic.

A member of the International Brotherhood of Magicians and

the Society of American Magicians, Super won national recognition on NBC's competition show *Phenomenon* in 2007. The show debuted on NBC in October 2007 and was judged by illusionist Criss Angel and mystifier Uri Geller. Super has entertained thousands of people throughout his career, including celebrities such as Regis Philbin, Joan Rivers, Paul Reiser and Robin Leach. Super has also won a variety of awards for his magic including America's 2003 Entertainer of the Year (recognized by the readers of *CA Magazine*), 2004 Novelty Entertainer of the Year, 2003 Best Performing Artist, 2003 Best Novelty Entertainer of the Year, 2003 Best Male Entertainer of the Year, the 2002 Performing Arts Entertainer of the Year and the 2001 Novelty/Live Entertainer of the Year.

Performing between 175 and



200 shows a year, Super is an accomplished magician/illusionist. His performances are highly anticipated and guaranteed to bring audience members to their feet. In Super's own words, "You won't just watch the magic; you'll be a part of it!"

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February: A time to remember great historical leaders

Office of Multicultural Affairs celebrates Black History Month

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February is known as "Black History Month"; a time to remember the great figures like Harriet Tubman, Rosa Parks, Martin Luther King Jr. and other standout leaders through the years. It's a time to reflect on past and present struggles while looking ahead towards other individuals waiting to become the next great inspiration.

Venus Ricks, the director of multicultural affairs at LVC, sat down to converse about the importance of the month and what opportunities are available for students.

"There is a church service followed by a food and fellowship time," she says, "where people can just hang out and eat." Ricks further explains that the Word of Faith Church and Ministries, a church from Lebanon, is coming to campus this coming Sunday, Feb. 27, at 11 a.m. for their service. A picnic will directly follow.

"It's free and open to everyone," Ricks says. "Having an opportunity to experience a different type

of excited about that." She also emphasizes the importance of the church throughout the years as an organization that united people during times of struggles. "It was their solace and comfort," she says. "It has been a huge inspiration for the black community."

In addition to the upcoming service, there have been posters in Mund with prominent figures in black history that can be seen on the windows, doors and staircase. Also, a trip to the National Great Blacks in Wax Museum in Baltimore was a few weeks ago and proved to be a successful insight into black history. The museum goes through a sequential timeline that starts with slave ships and goes all the way to the present day with President Obama's election.

"You're simulating what the experience would have been," explains Ricks after being asked what parts of the museum were like. Emmett Till, President Obama and other black individuals were vividly displayed. "You really do get the full picture; it was a very moving museum. We talked about what it was, and the things we learned from it."

Although Black History Month

provides a time to visit museums and plan church services, it also represents something much more.

"I think this month is part of all of American history," said Ricks. "If you are American and born in this country, then this is part of your history too. It doesn't just belong to one group." She also put emphasis the idea that everyone can see this month as a part of their own historical fabric, no matter what racial background. "I would say that the mindset should be that this is all American history, and sometimes we separate it."

Ricks acknowledges that getting involved in observing the month, or any of the heritage months, can be somewhat intimidating at times.

"It's difficult when you are trying to step out of your comfort zone and say you have an understanding and want to take action and do something different," she says. "I would challenge everyone to say 'How do you take it to the next step?'" Whether it is going to speakers, participating in events or other opportunities, there are always options to actively engage in the observed content. "It's taking you from that internal dialogue to

then take an action to be in a real space."

Overall, Black History Month can be a time to capture the remarkable moments from those past and present and also pave the way for inevitable inspirations in the future. But this month is not the only time that individuals should strive towards seeing the diversified American landscape or appreciate the differences and unique attributes of others. It should only be a further reminder of the necessary mindset we should have all the time.

"Change doesn't happen over-

night," Ricks concludes. "It's always evolving. There isn't an exact science to it. People need to be challenged and then with that challenge do what they need to for themselves."

Let's take Black History Month as a time to reflect. Yet let's also challenge ourselves to not abandon these thoughts with the flip of the calendar, but instead push towards genuinely applying them to our mindsets that last through the rest of our years.

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Word of Faith Church and Ministries Service

A part of the Office of Multicultural Affairs
Black History Month celebrations

Sunday, February 27 at 11 a.m.
in Miller Chapel

A picnic lunch will directly follow the services.
Contact Venus Ricks with any questions.

Features

Studying abroad: A transformational experience

Insight on a student's semester in France

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LA VIE GUEST WRITER

I heard somewhere that the average human being makes thousands of decisions a day, ranging from things like whether or not to hit the snooze button to whether or not to buy that \$50 pair of jeans. Most of these decisions don't make much of a difference in our lives in the long run. Some of them, however, can be more life altering than we could ever imagine.

About a year ago, in the spring semester of my sophomore year, I made one of these life altering decisions. I've been a French major the whole time I've been at LVC, and I had always had the intention of studying abroad. But when it came time to fill out all the papers and give my deposit to the business office, I started having second thoughts. I don't know what it was that finally made me decide to just do it, but I filled out all those papers, paid the deposit and found myself standing in Newark International Airport on Sept. 4. I kept thinking to myself that I should've

changed my major, but now that I look back on it, I'm so glad I didn't.

After a very long plane flight over the pond and then two connecting flights, I finally arrived in Montpellier, France with two other students from LVC. We were immediately taken into separate cars by our host families and taken on what seemed like the longest car ride of our lives. I spoke a little French to my host mother during our car ride, and she seemed impressed with my knowledge of the language. I got to the house, we had dinner, and I went straight to bed. Lying in bed that night, I started calculating how much money I would lose if I changed my flight to go back to the U.S. the next day.

It took me about three weeks, but once I finally got adjusted to the time zone and a little more used to the culture, I finally started to relax enough to realize what an amazing place I was in. I felt like I was on the set of a movie every time I walked into the center of town. I was making friends with people from all over the world. I was trying new foods and experiencing new holidays and tradi-



tions. But even with all of these new and exciting things happening, I still was counting down the days until I could go home again.

Then about halfway through the semester, I started to forget that I was counting down the days. Every once and a while, I would update my countdown, but whereas it had started as a countdown for some-

thing to look forward to, it became a countdown for something I was dreading. I had fallen in love with France and the French. My host mother and I got really close, and I grew very close to the other foreign exchange student in my house that happened to be Swedish. My French was improving by leaps and bounds, and I had never felt so confident and independent as I did during that semester.

But unfortunately, Dec. 18 finally arrived. It happened to also be my 21st birthday. It happened to be one of the saddest birthdays of my young life. As I was sitting on the plane ride on my way home, I was excited to see my friends and family again. But, I couldn't help but feel that I was leaving my new friends and family behind. Now that I've been back for a little over two months, I can say that I think I'm finally adjusted back to American life and American college. I still talk with my host mother regularly, and I'm staying in contact with a lot of the friends that I made.

So why am I writing this long, seemingly pointless story about my experience? Because I want to encourage anyone that can fit a se-

mester abroad into their schedule to take the opportunity and to run with it. Yes, it's scary and taking those first few steps off the plane in a foreign country is petrifying. But, during those four months away from home, you suddenly begin to feel that you have a new home. You gain so much from a study abroad experience that you couldn't gain from any other choice you make in college. My attempt to describe it here is somewhat futile because it is nearly impossible to explain. It is a semester when real change happens in your life, and when you come back at the end of the semester, people can tell that you've grown up. When else in your life are you going to have the opportunity to spend four entire months of your life living somewhere other than the United States and be able to fully appreciate and experience the culture without worrying about a substantial amount of responsibility?

So what's stopping you?

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Steps to studying abroad

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FEATURES EDITOR

1. Talk with the Study Abroad Director Jill Russell:

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2. Talk with your advisor

*Although most study abroad programs offer a wide range of classes, it would be wise to talk to your advisor and see which classes would be best to take at LVC and abroad in future and current semesters in order to keep you on track of your academic plans.

3. Talk to your parents

*Your parents may be very supportive of studying abroad, considering the unique experiences you will meet. Also mention that studying abroad is an attractive resume booster for some employers and can help differentiate you from another job applicant.

4. Go online and research pro-

gram opportunities

*Go online to www.lvc.edu and click Offices tab. Under this section click Study Abroad and from there you will be taken to the Study Abroad home page. On the left panel you will see plenty of programs. Click on one and begin looking through the photographs and information of dates, trips, etc.

5. Go to an Info Session and talk with peers

*Look for flyers around campus and watch for banner ads for info session announcements. Each study abroad location will hold an hour long info session, usually during common hour, to explain the details of the opportunity. Students who have studied abroad will usually attend to answer questions and provide student insight.

6. Get a passport

*If you don't have a passport consider applying for one. For more information, speak with Jill Russell or go to <http://travel.state.gov>.

7. Fill out an application

*Filling out an application is easy. You can always change your mind later. You can pick up an application in the Study Abroad Office or download one from the study abroad website.

8. Put money away each month for spending and airfare expenses

*If you plan ahead, you can save more money. Once you get abroad you may decide to go on extended weekend or break trips to other countries!

9. Pay program expenses

*With a few exceptions, LVC allows you to retain your institutional scholarships (Vickroy, Leadership, Achievement), grants and loans to pay for the study abroad semester. You can afford this with the right planning!

10. Get ready for the time of your life!

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Arts & Entertainment

Anything Goes amusingly delightful

With a solid cast and a talented pit orchestra, Wig and Buckle brings another brilliant musical to the stage

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LA VIE STAFF WRITER

"It's delightful, it's delicious, it's de-lovely," are not only still stuck in my head after watching Wig and Buckle's latest musical, *Anything Goes*, but it perfectly describes the cast and crew aboard the S.S. American.

Anything Goes is a love story between Billy Crocker, the assistant to a Wall Street banker, played by Joe Chubb '14, and Hope Harcourt, the American debutante, played by Laura Gingerich '13. However, Harcourt is engaged to Evelyn Oakley, played by Eric Mansilla '12, the wealthy Englishman. With the help of Reno Sweeney (Morgan Brady '11), the vivacious ex-evangelist now club performer, and the not-so-notorious gangster Moonface Martin (Dan Thomas '11), Crocker follows Miss Harcourt onto the S.S. American to try to win her back.

The actors in this show brought

this show together, especially Moonface Martin, otherwise known as Public Enemy Number Thirteen. Thomas brought humor to this character.

A n - other actor that put on an exceptional performance was Mansilla, who played Evelyn Oakley. Not only

did he put on an amazing performance in the "Gypsy in Me" performance, he also choreographed his own act brilliantly.

Of course, the men of this show would be nothing without the women. Their parts were spectacular. One actress in particular stood out, Brady, who played Reno

Sweeney. Brady's strong vocals and out-there personality brought this character to life. This leading lady brought t h e

her vocal abilities are outstanding. With only one solo from Diaz, she left the audience wanting to hear more.

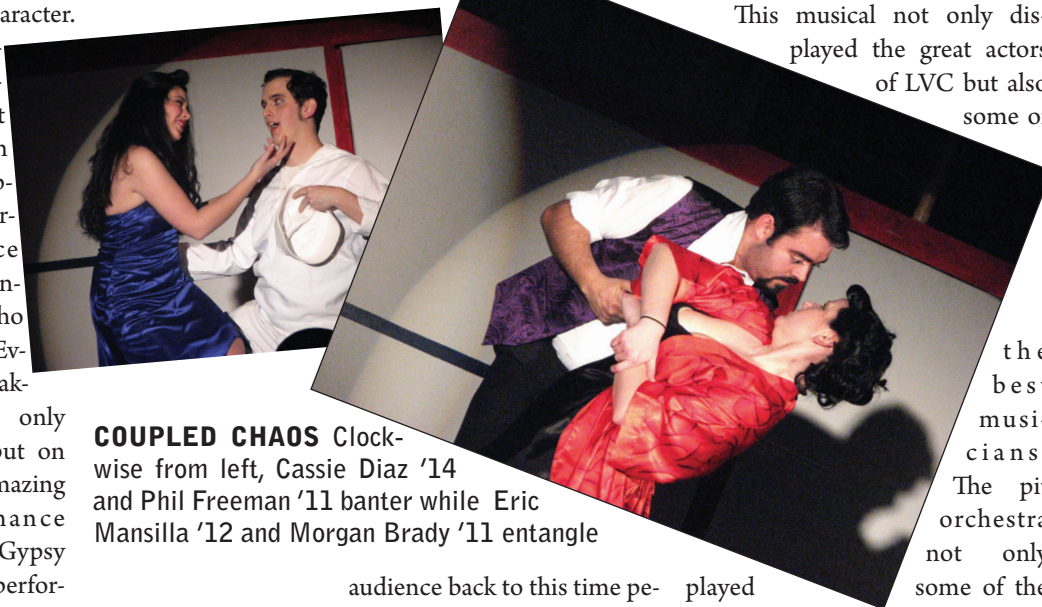
This musical not only displayed the great actors of LVC but also some of

the departure of the S.S. American, Evelyn Oakley begins to feel a little sea sick. Brilliantly, one of the musicians raises an umbrella to shield himself from the impending vomit.

I only have one complaint about my evening at Leedy Theater. And it's not about the show. The two old women sitting behind me that thought talking throughout the whole show was OK and also seemed to think they were above the cell phone rule drove me insane. Other than the distraction in the row behind me, the Wig and Buckle production was absolutely "de-lovely." Director Katy Raines '11 and her crew put on a memorable show. You may be hard pressed to get tickets for this weekend's showing, but make sure to attend. Also, keep checking for information on Wig and Buckle's upcoming 75th Anniversary Cabaret in March as well as the play *You Can't Take It With You*, premiering in April.

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COUPLED CHAOS Clockwise from left, Cassie Diaz '14 and Phil Freeman '11 banter while Eric Mansilla '12 and Morgan Brady '11 entangle

audience back to this time period with her voice.

Another actress that made this show great was Cassie Diaz '14, who played Bonnie, the screechy stereotypical sidekick to Moonface Martin. Not only could she make the men follow her every move,

played the best music but it also provided some humor. With interactions from the pit director, Chelsea Acaley '11, when some of the actors got off track with their vocals and began arguing, she lead them back to the music. Also, right after

Gamer Zone: a glimpse at 'Minecraft'

BY ANDREW VEIRTZ

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Yeah, I might have missed the big *Minecraft* craze of the past year but better late than never. I recently began playing the game, and holy pixelated pickaxes did I have some fun with it!

Minecraft is an indie-developed game written in Java by Markus "Notch" Persson that really doesn't have a main gameplay goal in mind; the player is dropped into a randomly generated world made of pixelated blocks and left to do whatever they want. There's a catch, though: There's only a certain amount of daylight left, and when night falls, the crap hits the fan. Zombies, skeletons, giant spiders and creepers (basically walking sticks of dynamite that explode if you get too close) come out to play at night. So you need to prepare yourself, and you do that by building.

So how do you build stuff in this

game? The answer is, WITH EVERYTHING! Every block in the game is destructible, and the world is virtually unlimited in scope in every direction. You can dig tunnels through the ground, you can chop down trees and you can construct anything you can imagine with the blocks you get from digging or chopping. It's like a massive world full of Legos, and you can take apart and reassemble literally everything.

But, there's even more depth to this game. There are literally hundreds of different types of blocks that make up the world: There are trees (wood), dirt, gravel (which will collapse on you if you aren't careful), sand, stone, coal, iron ore and so much more. From all these different materials, you can craft different objects and tools to

assist you. For instance, you can craft pickaxes to help you mine stone or shovels to help you dig in the dirt faster. It's an incredibly expansive system that allows the player to make basically anything they can



dream up.

Really though, the best aspect of *Minecraft* is exploring the world. The world is generated randomly, but it is done so in an extremely convincing way. Every world is completely dif-

ferent than the others, and the landscapes are always interesting to explore. When you're strolling along, you might see a gigantic mountain in the distance and then see a tiny cave opening near the bottom. Upon entering the cave, you might discover an extensive cave system that might run miles below the earth, complete with all kinds of interesting things to mine, rivers of water and lava (which flow convincingly, by the way) or even monsters lurking in the darkness. You never know what you'll find in *Minecraft's* landscape, and it's always fascinating to explore.

Minecraft is really a game that will appeal to your creativity. Sure, the basic game play necessitates that you build a shelter to survive the mobs of undead that stalk the night, but the best part of this game is being able to

build anything and everything you can imagine, whether that be a little log cabin in the woods or a massive multi-tiered castle with an elaborate dungeon underneath; it's all at your fingertips. Just look up *Minecraft* on YouTube and you can see the kind of absolutely ridiculous things players have been able to build in the game.

Minecraft is still in the beta stage, so the final version is still forthcoming. The game is available at www.minecraft.net for about \$20, which is half of the projected retail price of the final version when it will be released. Buying the game now also nets you the full version, so it's a steal! If you ever played with Legos as a kid, *Minecraft* may be your dream game. If you haven't already, just go and get the game now; you will not regret it.

For video game questions or to suggest possible column discussion topics, you can e-mail Andrew at aov001@lvc.edu.

PERSPECTIVES

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The use of the Internet has allowed many of us to become journalists. Writing a comment on a wall post or arguing with a pen name on an Internet blog or comment section of an online newspaper is different than the work of journalists in the print world.

Many of us don't even bother to write letters anymore we simply send an email to express our feelings. However, emails,

text messages, social networking and even phone conversations often lack the real meanings lost in interpretation.

On the Internet, the lack of face to face interaction leads to misunderstandings, confusion and even harsh statements that might be read in a different manner than one originally intended. In addition, some have grown accustomed to expressing views anonymously though pen names or initials.

As the result of an anonymous letter we received, we have decided to take a proactive approach and rewrite our Letter to the

Editor policy in an effort to express to the campus community the implications of not owning up to one's own work.

Throwing stones or even boulders while hiding behind a wall of anonymity is neither a professional way nor civil way to express one's viewpoints. In addition, unnamed letters can be injurious, harmful and unfair to someone's good name and reputation.

Can you imagine what it would be like if anyone could say anything about anyone from behind the wall of cover? That's the

criticism of the Internet - there are no gatekeepers, anything goes. The fact of the matter is: Everyone should be accountable for his or her beliefs and opinions.

Please be sure to read our revised Letter to the Editor policy, located on the upper left corner of this page. If you have further questions regarding the policy or other issues, please contact us at lavie@lvc.edu.

Regards,
Katie & Alyssa



Can you imagine life without Facebook?



From 11:59 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 13 to 11:59 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 20, Professor Bob Vucic's English 140: Introduction to Mass Communications class abstained from Facebook. After watching *The Social Network* in class and learning about a class at Harrisburg University where students also went 'cold-turkey' from Facebook, LVC's English 140 class decided to conduct their own experiment where they would stay off of Facebook for an entire week. The purpose was to find out how addictive Facebook is and if they would think differently without it. Here are their stories:

"I have never been on Facebook so I had to go on for the first time. Main thing I figured was, Facebook does seem entertaining but mostly for people who have a lot of friends and not as easy for people who don't. You have to stick with it for a while and really try to look through it if you want to find people to talk to. Can't really say it's my thing, still not a huge fan but its okay I suppose."

Cody Holt '13
English Major

"I realized how bad my addiction was within the first 12 hours of being off Facebook. It didn't help that I have the Facebook application on my iPhone so it was very accessible to quick sign on and check my Facebook. I cheated countless times by signing on for a few minutes each session."

Brooke Sheffy '12
Business Administration Major

"I think Facebook is a really great tool for keeping in touch with people, so going off of it for a week has been pretty tough. It's so much a part of my daily routine that I've had to be really careful when I get online, just to make sure that I don't log on. I haven't really cheated, but we'll see how the rest of the week goes!"

Erin Rider '14
Undeclared/Open Major

"It's really weird being off Facebook for such a long time. It is such a normal part of my life now with Facebook being on cellphones, ipads and other such devices. This makes it hard to keep off Facebook for even a week."

Michael Connolly '14
History Major

"I feel really out of the loop as to what's going on with my friends and their lives, which I don't like. I never realized how much I depend on Facebook for social interaction. I don't know if that's a good or bad thing."

Lindsay Henry '14
English Major



Top row left: Taylor Baldwin, Brooke Sheffy and Melissa Zellner.

Next row from left: Erica Ameigh, Lindsay Henry, Ashlyn Dininni and Megan Harris.

Next row from left: Sean Foley, Cody Holt and Michael Connolly

Not pictured: Erin Rider

"So a week without Facebook is extremely hard. Whenever I have free time or am bored, I find myself going to the site before I remember that I'm not supposed to. It has been difficult, friends will text me and ask why I didn't respond to their messages and I have to explain all over again about how I'm not going to be online for the rest of the week. They just didn't understand why I would do something like this. Not using Facebook is seen as unnatural to our generation."

Erica Ameigh '13
Spanish and American Studies Major

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"Leaving Facebook hasn't necessarily been difficult for me, but it has definitely been a nuisance. It has inconvenienced friends as well, and they now have to ask me for my e-mail address to communicate with me on the internet."

Taylor Baldwin '11
Music Business Major

"During my week of no Facebook I felt that I was almost disconnected from the social world. I cheated one time and felt extremely guilty for not being able to go simply a week without the addicting social networking site."

Ashlyn Dininni '13
English Major

"After not being on Facebook this entire week, I've realized how much it is part of my daily routine. When going on the internet I sometimes find myself typing www.facebook.com simply out of habit. The beginning of the week was tough, but it is getting easier now. Keeping busy keeps me distracted. I will be happy when Monday rolls around though."

Megan Harris '14
History Communications Major

"A week without Facebook has actually been a challenge. One would think that Facebook wasn't such a big part of your life but in reality it is. I, myself, have spent countless hours on Facebook wasting time where I could potentially be studying but now without Facebook my studying time is at an all time high. After this experiment I believe that I will not waste as much time on Facebook and devote my time to my studies more."

Sean Foley '13
History Major

"This experiment has proved to me how dependent we have become to technology. Facebook is a regular part of my life-I go on before and after class, and that is how I often communicate with my friends and family. The idea of being off Facebook for a week has been much more imposing that I ever thought (or would like to admit) it would be."

Missy Zellner '13
History Communications and History Major

SPORTS

SCOREBOARD

Women's Basketball
@ Elizabethtown, 2/15: W 62-53
vs. Alvernia, 2/19: W 87-34
(Senior Day)

Men's Basketball
@ Elizabethtown, 2/15: W 74-55
vs. Alvernia, 2/19: W 64-62 OT
(Hot Dog Frank Day)

Men's and Women's Track
@ Susquehanna Indoor
Invitational
Feb. 19: See godutchmen.com

COACHES OF THE WEEK

TODD GOCLOWSKI WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Todd Gocłowski was named the coach of the year in his fifth year at LVC. In the past three seasons, the Lady Dutchmen have gone 64-18, not including their 23-2 record this season, 13-1 in the Commonwealth Conference.



BRAD McALESTER MEN'S BASKETBALL

Brad McAlester was named the coach of the year as the Dutchmen went 19-6 this season, 10-4 in the Commonwealth Conference in his 17th season at LVC. His record over the years is 274-179, marking his winning percentage to-date at nearly 60%.



Women's hoops finish 23-2

SHERAE JONES '11
LA VIE STAFF WRITER

The Women's Basketball Team concluded their regular season with two consecutive wins. The team took on Elizabethtown College and Alvernia University in both wins.

At E-town, the Dutchmen battled in a competitive matchup with the Blue Jays, defeating them 62-53. Senior Andrea Hoover had a team-high 20 points and six assists. Sophomores Tierney Hiltz and Liz Borgia added 11 and 10 points also in the win.

On Saturday, the team hosted Alvernia University. The team also honored its three seniors, Hoover, Eryn Schultz and Suzie Noyes. A strong defensive effort led the team to an 87-34 victory over the Crusaders. Sophomore Renee Fritz led all scorers with a career-high 25 points. Fritz also had five rebounds and two blocks in the win. Other top scorers for the Dutchman included Caitlin



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Bach '14 (14 points), Hoover (12 points, 10 assists) and Hiltz (11 points).

The team concluded their regular season with a record of 23-2, 13-1. As the No. 1 seed in the Commonwealth Conference.

On Feb. 22, the CC awards were announced, were Hoover was named Player of the Year honors for the second year in a row, freshman Lauren Ruhl was named

Rookie of the Year and coach Todd Golowski earned Coach of the Year accolades. Suzie Noyes and Hoover also were named first team all-conference for the second season in a row.

The team will host Alvernia University on Wednesday, Feb. 23 in the Commonwealth Conference Semi-Final at 6 p.m. Come

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Schedule

Wednesday, 2/23
Women's Basketball
vs. Alvernia, 6 p.m.

Men's Basketball
vs. Alvernia, 8 p.m.

Saturday, 2/26
Men's Track
@ MAC Indoor Championships,
9 a.m.

Women's Track
@ MAC Indoor Championships,
9 a.m.

Women's Basketball
to be announced

Men's basketball records 10 straight wins

LAUREN SCOTT '12
SPORTS EDITOR

Is anything sweeter than an overtime win? How about an overtime, three-pointer buzzerbeater victory against a Commonwealth Conference team? The Dutchmen, with thanks to senior Anthony Trautman, did just that as LVC defeated Alvernia 64-62 on Saturday Feb. 19.

The win brought the Dutchmen to ten straight victories and CC match-ups lead the No. 2 Dutchmen to their next rival, No. 3 seed Widener, at the Arnold Sports Center on Wednesday at 8 p.m. Leading the Conference, Alvernia will face No. 4 seed Messiah.

Trautman had a career-high 36-point game on senior day, bringing his average to 27 points per game in the last ten victories.

Junior Joe Meehan added 12 points to the mix while sophomore Danny Brooks sunk 10.

The Valley led by as much as 11 points in the second half, but Alvernia's Christopher Davis knocked in multiple threes, cutting



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the lead to 42-39. With less than four minutes to go in the period, Alvernia clenched a three-point lead until back-and-forth action lead to overtime.

In overtime, Trautman scored seven out of LVC's eight points and were behind with 1.1 seconds remaining when they were forced to call time out.

In an amazing effort after the

time out, Jordan Stewart '12 connected with Trautman, who knocked in the three-pointer to win the game.

The victory took the Flying Dutchmen to 19-6 overall and 10-4 in the Commonwealth Conference.

On Monday, Feb. 21, Trautman was named the Commonwealth Conference Player of the Year and

took first-team all-Commonwealth in the league's year-end awards, an honor which was also granted to junior Joe Meehan. Both men lead the CC in scoring. Leader of the pack, coach Brad McAlester, was named the coach of the year for the second time, his first being in his rookie season in 1994-95.

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SPORTS

Record-breaking performances for track and field

Jerome Duncan and Johanna Walker best school records in hurdles

LAUREN SCOTT '12
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On Wednesday, Feb. 16 the USTFCCCA regional rankings were announced for track and field and standings for both the men's and women's team proved success.

The men's team moved from No. 11 to No. 9 in the Mid-East, while the women's team climbed six places to No. 11.

Individual rankings were also set as Jenn Cronin '11 places 21st in the nation with a 5:06.41 mile while classmate Zach Bleiler took 27th nationally in his 55-11 ¼ weight throw toss.

On Feb. 19 the team competed in the Susquehanna Indoor Open and Dickinson DuCharme Invite where juniors Jerome Duncan and Johanna Walker set school records in the 55-meter hurdles, and the women's distance medley relay qualified for the ECAC Championships.



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Hopping Hurdles Juniors Jerome Duncan and Johanna Walker both set LVC records in the 55-hurdles at the Susquehanna Indoor Open. Duncan ran a 7.88, besting a 7.92 record set in 2003 while Walker beat her own record, going from 8.74 to 8.72

Duncan broke Jordan Newell's 2003 7.92 time by finishing in 7.88, while Walker beat her own record by .02 seconds, marking her at 8.72.

The women's distance medley relay of Cynthia Adams '14, Alisha Farrell '13, Tiff Frederick '12 and Cronin turned in the second-fastest in school his-

tory while marking their time at 12:41.29.

Sophomore Cassandra Walen won the pole vault at 9-6.

Senior Justin Lee placed third in the men's triple jump, marking 43-7.25.

For the second straight week, Bleiler threw over 55 feet at 55-7.5, placing him in second in the

weight throw.

Mike Weir cleared a 13-5.25 in the men's pole vault, awarding him fourth in the event.

Freshman Joe Miller finished fourth in the men's high jump at 5-8.

The women placed third in the 4x200 relay with a 1:50.98 time while the men took second

with a time of 1:35.28.

Next, the team competes in the MAC Indoor Championships at 9 a.m. on Saturday, Feb. 26.

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Congratulations on your successful seasons



Women's
basketball
23-2



Ice Hockey
21-6



Men's
basketball
19-6

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